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2. DURING HIS APRIL 27 CALL ON PRESIDENT MOI, A/S MOOSE, ACCOMPANIED BY CHARGE, BRIEFED MOI ON HIS VISITS TO RWANDA AND BURUNDI AND STRESSED THAT QL COMMUNITY HAD TO DO WHAT WE COULD TO HELP MODERATES ON BOTH SIDES RESIST THE EXTREMISTS. MOI MAINTAINED THAT THE ONLY LASTING SOLUTION WAS TO CREATE A SEPARATE HUTULAND AND TUTSILAND. MOI ALSO SUGGESTED THAT UGANDA WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR SPARKING OFF THE RWANDA TRAGEDY. MOI COMPLAINED THAT USG CRITICISM OF KENYA REFLECTED A DOUBLE STANDARD. MOOSE RESPONDED THAT EVENTS OVER THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS HAD CAUSED US CONCERN AND WE WANTED MOI'S ASSURANCES THAT THE GOK'S REFORM POLICIES HAD NOT CHANGED. HE EXPLAINED THAT WE EXPRESSED OUR CONCERN OUT OF FRIENDSHIP BECAUSE WE VALUED AND WANTED TO PRESERVE OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH KENYA. MOI BLAMED THE OPPOSITION AND TRIBALISM FOR DESTABILIZING KENYA. HE ALSO NOTED HE WOULD BE OBLIGED TO REFER ANY NEW ACCESS AGREEMENT TO THE PARLIAMENT. MOOSE STRESSED THE VALUE OF REGIONAL COOPERATION TO KENYA AND ARGUED THAT THE CURRENT ACCESS AGREEMENT WOULD WITHSTAND PARLIAMENTARY SCRUTINY. MOOSE ALSO ARGUED THAT THE ASSURANCE OF KENYA'S FUTURE RESTED IN CONTINUING THE DEMOCRATIC AND ECONOMIC REFORMS KENYA HAD EMBARKED ON.

THE FACT THAT MOI SAW MOOSE ON SHORT NOTICE, CHANGING HIS SCHEDULE TO ACCOMMODATE MOOSE'S DELAYED ARRIVAL FROM BUJUMBURA, SUGGESTS THAT HE IS CONCERNED ABOUT US VIEWS AND WANTS US SUPPORT. END SUMMARY.

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RWANDA AND BURUNDI

3. FOLLOWING INITIAL PLEASANTRIES, MOOSE BRIEFED MOI ON HIS VISITS TO RWANDA AND BURUNDI. HE NOTED THAT THE SITUATION IN KIGALI WAS STILL TENSE AND FRAGILE BUT THAT THERE APPEARED TO BE SOME IMPROVEMENT IN THE COUNTRYSIDE. THE JUSTICE SYSTEM WAS NOT WORKING AT ALL, TEMPTING RWANDANS TO PURSUE THEIR OWN JUSTICE. THE INTERNATIONAL

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COMMUNITY HAD TO DO WHAT WE COULD TO HELP ASSISTED ON
BOTH SIDES RESIST THE EXTREMISTS.

4. MOI NOTED THAT THE TRAGEDY THAT HAD BEFALLEN RWANDA
COULD BE EASILY SPARKED OFF IN BURUNDI. TRIBAL HATRED
WAS A PERMANENT FEATURE OF THE TWO STATES. ONCE LIVES
WERE LOST, THERE WAS NO TURNING BACK, NO FORGETTING.
MULTI-PARTY SYSTEMS WERE NOT THE SOLUTION. THEY WOULD
ONLY IGNITE TRIBAL PASSIONS, SINCE PARTIES WOULD
INEVITABLY FORM ALONG TRIBAL LINES. THE ONLY LASTING
SOLUTION WAS TO CREATE A SEPARATE HUTULAND AND TUTSILAND.
ONCE THE TRIBES HAD BEEN SEPARATED INTO DIFFERENT
COUNTRIES, MULTI-PARTYISM COULD WORK.

5. MOOSE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT SOME WERE ALREADY THINKING
ALONG THOSE LINES BUT NOTED THAT THERE WERE MAJOR
PROBLEMS TO SUCH A SOLUTION. BOTH HUTUS AND TUTSIS WERE
TERRIBLY ATTACHED TO THEIR LAND. MOI REJOINED THAT THE
TUTSIS HAD CHASED HUTUS FROM THEIR PROPERTY AS MANY AS 30
YEARS AGO. TUTSIS WERE IN KENYA SINCE 1914. SOME HUTUS
WERE ALSO IN KENYA. SO THERE WAS A PRECEDENT FOR
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RESETTLEMENT.

6. MOI SUGGESTED THAT UGANDA WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR
SPARKING OFF THE RWANDA TRAGEDY AND ASSERTED THAT WESTERN
COUNTRIES HAD NOT ADDRESSED THE "INVASION" OF RWANDA FROM
UGANDA. WHY, HE ASKED RHETORICALLY, INVADE A COUNTRY IN
THE NAME OF DEMOCRACY? THAT WAS THE 64-DOLLAR QUESTION.
MOI SAID HE ALSO BLAMED THE OAU FOR HAVING ESTABLISHED A
MILITARY UNIT WHICH COULD INTERVENE IN COUNTRIES'
INTERNAL DISPUTES, WHICH HE THOUGHT MADNESS. SUCH AN
ORGANIZATION WAS NOT THE HOPE OF THE AFRICAN CONTINENT.
THE WORLD WAS DEMANDING THAT THOSE WHO
COMMITTED GENOCIDE
IN RWANDA BE PUNISHED. THE WORLD SHOULD ALSO ASK, MOI
INSISTED, WHO INVADED RWANDA.

7. MOOSE OBSERVED THAT NO ONE IN THE RWANDA TRAGEDY WAS
INNOCENT. A MAJOR PROBLEM WAS THAT OVER MANY YEARS A
GROUP OF MILITANTS ON BOTH SIDES PREACHED HATRED. HE

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NOTED THAT HE WAS IN NAIROBI ON APRIL 11, 1994

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HABYARIMANA'S PLANE CRASHED. IT WAS THAT CRASH WHICH SPARKED OFF THE VIOLENCE AND PRECIPITATED A SERIES OF EVENTS. HE EXPLAINED THAT WE HAD BEEN URGING THE RPF NOT

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TO MOVE SOUTH. THE RPF HAD RESPONDED THAT THEY WOULD COMPLY IF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY STOPPED THE GENOCIDE. THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY WAS UNABLE TO DO SO. MOI ARGUED THAT THE UN AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY SHOULD NOT ACT AS IF ONLY HUTUS WERE GUILTY.

MORE DOUBLE STANDARD

8. MOI NOTED THAT A COMMON PROBLEM IN AFRICA WAS BAD LEADERSHIP. TOO MANY LEADERS DID NOT VALUE HUMAN LIFE. CHARLES TAYLOR IN LIBERIA HAD KILLED THOUSANDS. THE SAME PROBLEM PLAGUED SIERRA LEONE. MOI HIMSELF, HOWEVER, HAD ALWAYS STOOD FOR THE COMMON PEOPLE. YET THE USG CRITICIZED KENYA FOR HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES WHEN HE HAD KILLED NO ONE. MOOSE COUNTERED THAT WE DID NOT PLACE KENYA IN THE SAME CATEGORY AS LIBERIA AND SIERRA LEONE.

9. TURNING BACK TO RWANDA, MOI ARGUED THAT THE GOR SHOULD NOT SAY THAT ONLY 300 HAD DIED IN THE MASSACRE AT KIBEHO WHEN IN FACT 4,000 WERE KILLED. MOOSE NOTED THAT HE HAD JUST COME FROM RWANDA AND HAD TOLD THE GOR THEY WERE MAKING AN ERROR. HE HAD ADVISED THEM NOT TO MAKE PRONOUNCEMENTS BUT TO FORM A COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH THE FACTS. THE GOR HAD AGREED. MOI NOTED IT WAS IMPORTANT TO FIND A WAY FOR HUTUS AND TUTSIS TO GET BEYOND THE BITTERNESS AND LIVE PEACEFULLY. MOOSE REJOINED THAT WAS WHY IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR NEIGHBORS TO HELP. IF LEFT TO THEIR OWN DEVICES, RWANDA AND BURUNDI WOULD NOT SOLVE

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LITTLE LAND. A POTENTIAL SOLUTION WAS TO ENCOURAGE
MIGRATION TO OTHER, LESS POPULATED PARTS OF AFRICA, BUT
THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, NEIGHBORS INCLUDED, HAD TO
ASSIST THE GOVERNMENTS OF BOTH COUNTRIES. OTHERWISE, WE
WOULD BE FACED WITH ANOTHER CATASTROPHE AND HAVE TO DEAL
WITH THE CONSEQUENCES.

US-KENYA RELATIONS

10. ADDRESSING MOI'S COMPLAINT ABOUT USG CRITICISM OF
KENYA, MOOSE SAID THAT IF AT TIMES WE SEEMED TO EXPRESS
CONCERN ABOUT KENYA IT WAS BECAUSE OF CONCERN FOR THE
REGION. KENYA WAS AN ISLAND OF STABILITY AND SANITY.
SOMALIA AND SUDAN WERE UNSTABLE AND HOSTILE, TO KENYA AND
EVERYONE ELSE. KENYA'S ROLE, ECONOMIC AND SECURITY, WAS
CRITICAL. THUS, IF WE WERE OVERLY ATTENTIVE, IT WAS
BECAUSE WE WANTED TO SEE KENYA REMAIN THE CENTER OF
PROSPERITY AND STABILITY.

11. MOI REPLIED THAT CRITICISM OF KENYA WAS BASED ON
DISTORTION AND NOT FACTS. AS THE PROPER BASIS FOR
MEASURING KENYA'S DEVELOPMENT, ITS FRIENDS SHOULD ASK HOW
KENYA GOT TO BE AN ISLAND OF STABILITY.

12. MOOSE REJOINED BY NOTING THE US ITSELF HAD MANY
PROBLEMS IT HAD NOT FACED EVEN DURING THE COLD WAR.
TIMES HAD CHANGED, AND WE HAD TO FIND NEW SOLUTIONS TO
NEW PROBLEMS. KENYA HAD THE OPPORTUNITY OVER THE NEXT 20
YEARS TO BECOME A NIC. KENYA'S DEVELOPMENT DEPENDED IN
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PART ON FOREIGN ASSISTANCE, BUT ULTIMATELY IT DEPENDED ON
THE COUNTRY'S POLICIES. THAT WAS WHY WE BROUGHT TO
KENYA'S ATTENTION THINGS THAT WERE NOT GOING RIGHT. WE
WERE NOT ALONE IN OUR ANALYSIS. OUR PARTNERS SHARED OUR
CONCERN. THE DONOR COMMUNITY HAD EXPRESSED APPRECIATION
FOR GOK POLICIES AT THE CG MEETING IN DECEMBER AND GIVEN
SUPPORT IN THE FORM OF NEW PLEDGES. HOWEVER, EVENTS OVER
THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS HAD CAUSED US CONCERN. WE WANTED
MOI'S ASSURANCES THAT THE GOK'S REFORM POLICIES HAD NOT
CHANGED.

13. MOOSE CONTINUED THAT WE VALUED GREATLY OUR
PARTNERSHIP WITH KENYA WHICH ALLOWED FOR COOPERATION ON
REGIONAL PROBLEMS SUCH AS THOSE IN SOMALIA, RWANDA AND
BUT RUNDI. WE ALSO APPRECIATED KENYAN CONCERNS OVER
INSTABILITY IN THE WAKE OF THE UNOSOM WITHDRAWAL. THAT
WAS WHY WE HAD SOUGHT TO RELEASE FROZEN SECURITY
ASSISTANCE FUNDS, TO ENABLE THE KENYAN MILITARY TO
RESPOND TO SECURITY CONCERNS.

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14. MOREOVER, MOOSE CONTINUED, WE VALUED KENYA'S
LEADERSHIP ROLE ON SOUTHERN SUDAN AND KNEW THAT
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INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO SOUTHERN
SUDAN HAD TAXED KENYA GREATLY. MOOSE HAD OBSERVED
FIRSTHAND KENYA'S CONTRIBUTIONS AT LOKICHOGIO. MOI'S
ROLE IN IGADD WAS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT. BUT OUR SUPPORT
FOR KENYA WAS DIFFICULT TO SUSTAIN GIVEN THE PERCEIVED
DIRECTION OF EVENTS IN KENYA. THAT WAS WHY AMBASSADOR
BRAZEAL HAD RAISED CONCERNs OVER BACKTRACKING ON
POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC REFORM. IT WAS DIFFICULT FOR
AMERICANS TO UNDERSTAND ACTIONS AIMED AT HARASSING THE

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OPPOSITION. MOOSE OBSERVED THAT WHEN UNCLASSIFIED
OPPOSITION MIGHT NOT BE MOI'S INTENTION, THAT'S HOW IT
APPEARED.

THE OPPOSITION'S FAULT

15. MOI REJOINED THAT PEOPLE DID NOT HAVE FREEDOM TO
BREAK THE LAW. PEOPLE WERE NOT ARRESTED IF THEY OBEYED
THE LAW, BUT NO ONE WAS ABOVE THE LAW, HE INSISTED. NO
ONE HAD THE FREEDOM TO ACT AGAINST ANOTHER'S FREEDOM. HE
CONTINUED THAT THE OPPOSITION WERE FIGHTING AMONG
THEMSELVES. IT WAS THE OPPOSITION THAT RESORTED TO
VIOLENCE. IN UGANDA THEY WERE TRAINING FOR GUERRILLA
WARFARE. AFTER "THEY" FINISHED WITH RWANDA, "THEY" WOULD
MOVE AGAINST KENYA. OPPOSITION MP'S RAILA OGINGA, PAUL
MUISTE AND MICHAEL WAMALWA EACH HAD GROUPS IN UGANDA.
THEY PLANNED TO BLOW UP TELECOMMUNICATION SITES IN KENYA.
THEY WERE MEETING ALL OVER. IF SOMEONE BREAKS THE LAW,
MOI REPEATED, HE IS ARRESTED. MOI ADDED THAT THE
NORWEGIANS HAD CHAMPIONED KOIGI WA WAMWERE'S CASE AS A
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HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE, BUT NOTED THAT DURING KENYATTA'S TIME
WAMWERE WAS LOCKED UP AS A CRIMINAL. WAMWERE, HE
EXCLAIMED, OVERRAN A POLICE STATION AND STOLE WEAPONS.

16. MOI CONTINUED THAT HE WAS INTERESTED IN
CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM IN ORDER TO UNITE KENYANS. THE
OPPOSITION, ON THE OTHER HAND, WAS INTERESTED IN
CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM ONLY TO WIN POWER AND POSITION.
KENYA HAD NINE MAJOR TRIBES, WHICH MADE ACHIEVING
NATIONAL UNITY HIGHLY COMPLEX. THAT WAS NOT APPRECIATED
BY THE WEST. MOI KNEW MANY EUROPEAN RESIDENTS OF KENYA
WHO FELT THEY WERE NOT REPRESENTED WELL BY THEIR OWN
GOVERNMENTS BELIEVED DISTORTIONS ABOUT KENYA. THEY
THEMSELVES APPRECIATED THAT DIFFERENT SOCIETIES REQUIRED
DIFFERENT APPROACHES TO PROBLEMS.

THE ACCESS AGREEMENT AND PARLIAMENT

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17. TURNING TO THE ACCESS AGREEMENT ("MOU," IN MOI'S TERMINOLOGY), MOI ASSERTED THAT SUCH MILITARY AGREEMENTS WERE EXTREMELY SENSITIVE. IN THE PAST, HE HAD NOT REFERRED THOSE AGREEMENTS (WITH THE US AND UK) TO PARLIAMENT, BUT HE WOULD BE OBLIGED TO DO SO NOW THAT TRANSPARENCY WAS THE ORDER OF THE DAY. WHAT WOULD THE PARLIAMENT SAY WHEN IT LEARNED THE BRITS HAVE A BATTALION OF TROOPS ON KENYAN SOIL? THE AMERICANS, HE NOTED, BRING IN EVEN MORE TROOPS BUT ONLY ONCE IN A WHILE. WHAT WOULD THE NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES SAY? THEY MAY THINK KENYA IS HOSTING FOREIGN TROOPS TO INVADE THEM. HOW WOULD HE
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SHIELD HIS GOVERNMENT FROM FOREIGN PROPAGANDA?

18. MOI MUSED THAT HE SOMETIMES BECAME BITTER WHEN HE RECALLED HOW HE BORE THE BRUNT OF ATTACKS DURING THE 1970'S FOR HAVING HOSTED US TROOPS. KENYA WAS ACCUSED OF BEING AN AMERICAN BASE DURING THE COLD WAR. NOW, THE US AND UK ATTACKED HIM, HE EXCLAIMED. THAT MADE HIM BITTER. WHY SHOULD HE BE HELPFUL TO THE US WHEN THE USG ATTACKS HIM?

19. MOOSE RESPONDED THAT WE WERE NOT ATTACKING HIM. WE WERE COMING TO HIM PERSONALLY AND CONFIDENTIALLY TO SHARE OUR CONCERNS. WE WERE CARRYING OUT A DIALOGUE. WE WERE SENSITIVE TO HOW OUR RELATIONS WERE SEEN. MOOSE EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT BOTH SIDES COULD DEFEND OUR RELATIONS ON THE BASIS OF HOW THEY HAVE BEEN MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL OVER THE YEARS. OUR COOPERATION HAD BEEN USEFUL IN DEALING WITH DIRECT THREATS TO KENYA AND ITS NEIGHBORS. THE CURRENT ACCESS AGREEMENT WOULD WITHSTAND

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THE SCRUTINY OF PARLIAMENT.

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PRESERVING THE US-KENYA PARTNERSHIP

20. ADDRESSING OTHER ISSUES MOI HAD RAISED, MOOSE STATED THAT WE AGREED 100 PERCENT ON THE PRINCIPLE OF RULE OF LAW. WHEN PEOPLE ACT OUTSIDE THE LAW, THEY MUST BE DEALT WITH UNDER THE LAW. WE DEFENDED THE GOK'S RIGHT TO ACT IN THAT MANNER. BUT WE ALSO HAD A RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE THAT WHEN AN ACTION IS TAKEN, AN ARREST MADE, THE POLICE BRING IT TO THE JUDICIARY. FOR EXAMPLE, THE PRESS IS NOT ALWAYS RESPONSIBLE, BUT ACTS AGAINST THE PRESS SHOULD BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW. VIOLATIONS SHOULD BE PRESENTED TO THE COURTS. IF, HOWEVER, THE GOVERNMENT IS SURPRESSING THE PRESS BY CONFISCATING COPIES OF PUBLICATIONS, IT WILL BE PERCEIVED IN THE WEST AS REPRESSION. MOOSE STRESSED THAT HE WAS TRYING TO PRESERVE OUR VALUED PARTNERSHIP WITH KENYA AND HOPED THAT THE CONVERSATION WOULD BE UNDERSTOOD IN THAT CONTEXT.

21. MOI REPLIED THAT HE DID NOT USE DIPLOMACY. HE WAS MORE DIRECT AND TALKED MAN-TO-MAN. HE ONLY DESIRED TO BE UNDERSTOOD BY KENYA'S FRIENDS. WHATEVER HE DID HE DID IN ALL SINCERITY TO DEFEND ALL KENYANS. THERE WERE THOSE WHO WERE TRYING TO DESTABILIZE KENYA. HE WANTED HIS FRIENDS TO TAKE NOTE THAT TOWARD AN AFRICAN GOVERNMENT, LIKE THE GOK, THERE WAS OPPOSITION FROM WITHOUT AND WITHIN. THAT WAS NOT UNDERSTOOD BY KENYA'S FRIENDS. NEITHER FRANCE NOR ITALY HAD EVER HAD A STABLE GOVERNMENT. WHAT HAD KEPT THOSE COUNTRIES STABLE WAS A PROFESSIONAL CIVIL SERVICE.

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22. IN AFRICA, MOI CONTINUED, THERE WAS NO PROFESSIONAL CIVIL SERVICE. CIVIL SERVICES WERE RIVEN BY TRIBALISM. IN KENYA, THE CIVIL SERVANTS ENGAGED IN TRIBAL SABOTAGE. THERE WAS NO ASSURANCE OF EFFICIENCY AS LONG AS TRIBAL FEELINGS REMAINED. HE WAS TRYING TO TIGHTEN UP THE CIVIL SERVICE TO ELIMINATE TRIBALISM. HE STRESSED UNITY IN ORDER TO HAVE A DOMINANT POLITICAL PARTY WHICH COULD CARRY OUT POLICIES WITHOUT STRAINS. MOI ASSERTED THAT A LOT OF MONEY HAD CHANGED HANDS RECENTLY. THE AUDITOR GENERAL BELONGED TO ANOTHER TRIBE, MOI SAID, SUGGESTING THAT HE ACTED FROM TRIBAL INTERESTS. MOI CONCLUDED THAT HIS GREAT ADVANTAGE WAS THAT KENYANS KNEW AND TRUSTED HIM. HE LOOKED AFTER EVERYONE, AND KENYA'S FRIENDS SHOULD APPRECIATE THAT.

23. MOOSE OBSERVED THAT THERE WERE GREAT DIFFERENCES BETWEEN COUNTRIES BUT THAT WE ALL AGREED ON RESPECT FOR THE PRINCIPLE OF DEMOCRACY. WE RECOGNIZED THAT IT WAS NOT EASY TO TRANSFORM SOCIETIES. MOI COUNTERED THAT IN WESTERN DEMOCRACIES A SMALL GROUP OF PARTY ACTIVISTS PICKS A CANDIDATE AND IMPOSES THAT CANDIDATE ON THE PARTY. IN KENYA, KANU PRESENTED MANY CANDIDATES AND THE VOTERS LINED UP TO CHOOSE WHOMEVER THEY WANTED. HE ADDED THAT NO PRESIDENT IN AFRICA COULD TOLERATE THE ABUSE HE HAD TAKEN FROM THE WEST.

24. MOOSE REJOINED THAT THE ASSURANCE OF KENYA'S FUTURE RESTED IN CONTINUING THE DEMOCRATIC AND ECONOMIC REFORMS KENYA HAD EMBARKED ON. WE TOO WERE CONCERNED ABOUT THE EFFERVESCENCE OF TRIBALISM. THAT'S WHY WE WERE CONCERNED ABOUT THE RIFT VALLEY. THE GOK SHARED A SPECIAL

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RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE THAT TRIBAL CONFLICT DID NOT RECUR THERE.

25. THAT'S WHEN I BECOME VERY BITTER, MOI REPLIED. THE CLASHES WERE CREATED BY THE OPPOSITION. HOW COULD ONE EXPECT MOI, LOOKING FOR VOTES IN THE RIFT VALLEY, TO

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INSTIGATE PROBLEMS WHICH WOULD LOSE ~~UNCLASSIFIED~~ WAS
THE OPPOSITION WHICH DID NOT WARN THEIR SUPPORTERS
AGAINST TRIBAL CLASHES, HE COMPLAINED.

26. MOOSE OBSERVED THAT BEING PRESIDENT WAS A THANKLESS
JOB, ADDING THAT ONLY GOVERNMENT COULD PROVIDE A SOLUTION
TO TRIBAL CONFLICT.

THE USG, AS A PARTNER, COULD HELP IN
RESETTLEMENT, BUT THE GOK HAD THE RESPONSIBILITY. HE
NOTED THAT THE 2,000 DISPLACED PERSONS FROM MAELA HAD
BEEN DISPERSED, NOT RESETTLED.

27. MOI COMPLAINED THAT THE WEST HAD NOT UNDERSTOOD THE
PROBLEM. THERE WERE THOUSANDS OF KENYANS WHO DID NOT OWN

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LAND WHO HAD BEEN ENCOURAGED BY THE OPPOSITION TO GO TO THE RIFT VALLEY TO CLAIM LAND WHEN WORD HAD SPREAD THAT THE GOK WOULD DISTRIBUTE PARCELS TO THE DISPLACED. THE
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GOK CAREFULLY SELECTED THE GENUINE DISPLACED AND
RESETLED THEM.

28. MOI THANKED MOOSE FOR HIS CALL AND SAID HE WAS GLAD
THEY HAD BEEN ABLE TO SPEAK FRANKLY.

COMMENT

29. MOI ESSENTIALLY REPEATED THEMES HE HAS STRUCK IN
RECENT MEETINGS WITH THE AMBASSADOR AND DCM. HE REMAINS
UPSET ABOUT WHAT HE SEES AS A DOUBLE STANDARD IN THE
MANNER THE USG DEALS WITH KENYA, ESPECIALLY IN COMPARISON
WITH UGANDA. HIS IRE TOWARD UGANDA AND MUSEVENI DOES NOT
APPEAR TO HAVE ABATED. HE AGAIN HINTED, IN HIS COMMENTS
ON THE ACCESS AGREEMENT, THAT HE FELT A RENEWAL OF THE

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AGREEMENT WITH THE US WOULD PRESENT ~~FEWER ASSUMPTIONS~~ FOR
KENYA THAN THE AGREEMENT WITH THE BRITS. THE FACT THAT
MOI SAW MOOSE ON SHORT NOTICE, CHANGING HIS SCHEDULE TO
ACCOMMODATE MOOSE'S DELAYED ARRIVAL FROM BUJUMBURA,
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